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FOLLOWING RANGOON 458 SENT ACTION SECSTATE INFO BANGKOK  
CHIANG MAI FEB 10; REPEATED TO YOU QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS; SNAR, BM

SUBJECT: POPPY PLANT DESTRUCTION PROGRAM

1. GUB POPPY PLANTATION DESTRUCTION PROGRAM CONTINUES IN FULL SWING. LOCAL PAPERS PAST FEW DAYS HAVE GIVEN FRONT PAGE COVERAGE WITH PHOTOS OF MINISTERS FOR HOME AFFAIRS, U KO KO, AND PARTY, WHICH INCLUDED DIRECTOR-GENERAL, NATIONAL POLICE AND CHIEF, MIS, ALL OF WHOM ARE TRAVELLING IN SHAN STATE SPEAKING WITH FARMERS, CONDUCTING DESTRUCTION OPERATIONS, AND ENCOURAGING CROP SUBSTITUTION. PHOTOS APPEARING IN PAPERS HAVE U KO KO, WHO NOW ALSO HOLDS TITLE OF CHAIRMAN OF CENTRAL NARCOTIC DRUGS CONTROL BOARD, LECTURING FARMERS WITH U.S.-PROVIDED HELICOPTER IN BACKGROUND. SECOND PHOTO HAS VILLAGERS AND SOLDIERS DESTROYING POPPY FIELDS AGAIN WITH TWO HELICOPTERS IN BACKGROUND.

2. ARTICLES DEMONSTRATE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH GUB IS APPROACHING DESTRUCTION PROGRAM, WHICH NOW EXCEEDS 2,000 ACRES OF POPPY, BUT  
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HELICOPTER-LADEN PHOTOS' INTENTION AND FREQUENT MENTION OF HELI-

COPTERS IN ARTICLES IS NOT LOST ON MISSION. WE AWARE OF POINT  
BEING MADE AND DULY NOTE IT HERE. OSBORN UNQUOTE INGERSOLL

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